

# RBMS RDA Editorial Group Report, October 2023

Submitted by Liz Adams and Laura Doublet, chief editors of Descriptive Cataloging of Rare Materials (RDA Edition) (DCRMR)

## Updates

We welcomed three new members to the Editorial Group. Jessica Grzegorski rotated off as chief editor, and Laura Doublet became chief editor alongside Liz Adams. A full list of our editors (with new editors bolded) is found below:

Liz Adams

Erin Blake

**Mandy Choie**

Laura Doublet

Tammy Druash

**Rebecca Flore**

Jessic Grzegorski

Ryan Hildebrand

Yoonha Hwang

Deborah J. Leslie

Iris O'Brien

Elizabeth O'Keefe

**Kaelin Rasmussen**

Jessie Sherwood

Amy Tims

Mandy Choie has agreed to join Amy Tims and Yoonha Hwang as a keeper of the text. Thank you, Mandy! We are still looking for an additional keeper. If you or someone you know might be interested, please feel free to reach out to the chief editors, Liz Adams ([elizabeth.adams@duke.edu](mailto:elizabeth.adams@duke.edu)) and Laura Doublet ([lauradoublet@uvic.ca](mailto:lauradoublet@uvic.ca)).

In July 2023, Jessica Grzegorski, Elizabeth Hobart, and kalan Knudson Davis presented on DCRMR at [CILIP Conference 2023](#) in Birmingham, England. In addition to the presentation at CILIP, they also presented a [version](#) of the DCRMR workshop previously presented at RBMS 2023 at Lambeth Palace Library in London.

The sunsetting of Cataloger's Desktop impacted DCRM suite content, particularly *Examples to accompany Descriptive Cataloging of Rare Materials (Books)*. Liz Adams and Jessica Grzegorski worked over the summer to transfer *Examples* to the [ALA Repository](#). A BSC subgroup led by Iris O'Brien, a member of the Editorial Group, will be re-adding working links to the *Examples*.

## Incorporation of instructions from *Descriptive Cataloging of Rare Materials (Graphics)* (DCRM(G)) into DCRM

The internal review for the DCRM(G) incorporation into DCRM is ongoing. We have three subgroups currently tasked with evaluating specific content: Chapter 5 (Production, Publication, Distribution, and Manufacture), Chapter 6 (Physical Description), and Examples. The Chapter 5 work will conclude in the near future. The work of the Chapter 6 and Examples subgroups will continue into the fall.

We expect the work of the subgroups to continue throughout 2023. The chief editors and other members of the Editorial Group will then complete a brief round of internal review before we submit the text for BSC review in spring 2024.

## RBMS Policy Statements

The chief editors and chief editor emeritus Jessica Grzegorski are conducting a brief internal review of the policy statements prior to the larger Editorial Group reviewing the ~850 policy statements currently drafted. We expect that this larger Editorial Group review will happen by the end of December 2023. The policy statements will next go to the BSC for a wider review in early 2024.